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STUDENT SENATE

S09RS

SGR No. 15

By: SENATORS CAFFAREL, WALLER AND SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE PRESTRIDGE

A RESOLUTION

TO URGE AND REQUEST THE INCLUSION OF MUSICAL PERFORMING ENSEMBLES AS AN OPTION FOR FULFILLING THE GENERAL EDUCATION ARTS REQUIREMENT.

- PARAGRAPH 1:** WHEREAS, THE PURPOSE OF THE GENERAL EDUCATION ARTS REQUIREMENT EXISTS TO INSTILL AN APPRECIATION AND BASIC UNDERSTANDING OF THE ARTS IN STUDENTS; AND
- PARAGRAPH 2:** WHEREAS, PARTICIPATION IN MUSICAL PERFORMING ENSEMBLES DOES NOT CURRENTLY FULFILL THIS REQUIREMENT OR PROVIDE ANY ADDITIONAL ACADEMIC BENEFIT OTHER THAN ONE HOUR OF CREDIT PER SEMESTER; AND
- PARAGRAPH 3:** WHEREAS, PARTICIPATION IN MUSICAL PERFORMING ENSEMBLES REQUIRES A HIGH LEVEL OF EXPERTISE AND A GREAT AMOUNT OF PRACTICE HOURS IN AND OUT OF THE ENSEMBLE; AND
- PARAGRAPH 4:** WHEREAS, WHILE THE PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF MUSIC MAY BE DIFFERENT FROM THE OVERALL CRITICAL APPRECIATION LEARNED IN THE CURRENT MUSICAL OPTION FOR THIS REQUIREMENT, THE EXPERIENCE GAINED IN PERFORMING ENSEMBLES IS AS, IF NOT MORE, VALUABLE THAN SAID CRITICAL APPRECIATION; AND
- PARAGRAPH 5:** WHEREAS, THOSE THAT PARTICIPATE IN THESE ENSEMBLES DO SO TO HONE THEIR MUSICAL TALENT AND DEEPEN THEIR ALREADY EXTENSIVE APPRECIATION OF THE ARTS;
- PARAGRAPH 6:** THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT OF LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE URGE AND REQUEST THAT PARTICIPATION IN THREE SEMESTERS OF MUSICAL, PERFORMING ENSEMBLES SUCH AS TIGER BAND, SYMPHONIC BAND, SYMPHONIC WINDS, WIND ENSEMBLE, PHILHARMONIA, MEN'S CHORUS, WOMEN'S CHORUS, GOSPEL CHOIR, UNIVERSITY CHORUS, A CAPPELLA CHOIR, JAZZ BAND AND SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA FULFILL THE GENERAL EDUCATION ARTS REQUIREMENT; AND
- PARAGRAPH 7:** BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE SENT TO ASTRID MERGET, EXECUTIVE VICE CHANCELLOR AND PROVOST; SARAH LYNN BAIRD, INTERIM DEAN OF THE SCHOOL OF MUSIC AND DRAMATIC ARTS; ANDREA HOUSTON, CHAIR OF THE COURSES AND CURRICULUM COMMITTEE; AND MICHAEL V. MARTIN, CHANCELLOR.

PARAGRAPH 8: THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON
PASSAGE BY A MAJORITY (1/2) VOTE OF THE LSU
STUDENT SENATE AND SIGNATURE BY THE
PRESIDENT; UPON LAPSE OF TIME FOR PRESIDENTIAL
ACTION; OR IF VETOED BY THE PRESIDENT AND
SUBSEQUENTLY APPROVED BY THE SENATE

APPROVED:

BEN CLARK
STUDENT SENATE SPEAKER

DATE_____

J. COLORADO ROBERTSON
STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

DATE_____